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CHARTER OF 1894.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 237 to 259, both inclusive, of Article 24, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Worcester County," sub-title "Snow Hill," and to repeal all Acts or clauses of Acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, with reference to the Charter of the Town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and to re-enact and grant to the Town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, a new Charter.

SECTION 1. *And be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That chapter four hundred and forty-three of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, entitled an act to amend the charter of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, chapter three hundred and thirty-five of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session of eighteen hundred and eighty-two, entitled an act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, sections four, ten, twelve, fifteen, nineteen and twenty-six of chapter four hundred and forty-three of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, entitled an act to amend the charter of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, and chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, entitled an act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, section seventeen of chapter four hundred and forty-three of the acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, entitled an act to amend the charter of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, and all acts or clauses or acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, with reference to the charter of the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the inhabitants of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland, are hereby made and declared a body corporate by the name of the "Mayor and Council of Snow Hill," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, use a common seal, and possess such powers and privileges and incidents as may attach, by law, to a municipal corporation, may purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property, and dispose of the same for the benefit of the said town.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the government of said town shall be vested in a Mayor and five Councilmen, to be selected as hereinafter provided, who shall be taxpayers and qualified voters of said town twelve months next preceding their election, and that their term of office shall be two years or until their successors

are elected and qualified; provided, however, that three of the Councilmen elected at the first election held under this act, which three shall be determined by lot at their first regular meeting, shall hold their office for the term of one year only.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the taxable and corporate limits of said town shall begin at a point on the Pocomoke River north forty-six degrees west from the (north) corner of a bridge on the county road leading to Newark, said bridge being north twenty and one-half degrees east from the west corner of James Burroughs and being over a ditch called the Tax ditch; thence south forty-six degrees east to the west corner of said bridge; thence running the following courses and distances, to wit: South thirty-nine degrees east one hundred and thirty-six and one-half poles to the county road leading from Snow Hill to Patty's Bridge, where the line between the Burroughs and Morse lands intersects said county road; thence south twenty-one degrees west eighty-six poles to a wild cherry tree; thence continuing same course forty-three and one-half poles to a persimmon tree; thence south twenty-five degrees west one hundred and thirty-eight poles to a corner where the Virginia road and the cross-road leading from New Lane intersect; thence across the lot belonging to Frank Bailey, south sixty-five degrees west thirty-four poles; thence south eighty-eight and one-half degrees west thirty-seven poles; thence north twenty-nine degrees west seventy-four poles on the line dividing the property of Hugh S. Stevenson and Benjamin Spencer to the line of a lot belonging to Dr. George W. Bishop; thence north sixty degrees west one hundred and twenty poles to the run of a branch opposite the house of William J. Scarboro, formerly the Farrow house; thence with the east side of the run of said branch to a branch near a gate in a road leading to the farm of George S. Richardson; thence north twenty-eight degrees west to the Pocomoke River; thence with the south bank of said river to the place of beginning.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the male citizens of Snow Hill, who have resided within the corporate limits of said town six months next preceeding the election, and who are above the age of twenty-one years, shall on the first Monday in May, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and on the same day every second year thereafter, elect by ballot one person to be Mayor; and likewise on the first Monday in May, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, elect by ballot five persons to be Councilmen, and on the same day every year thereafter elect by ballot three persons as Councilmen to succeed those whose term of office is about to expire; and it shall be the duty of the three newly elected Councilmen at their first regular meeting to designate by lot two of their number to remain in office for two years.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That any person elected as Mayor or Councilman shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, make oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester County, that he will diligently and faithfully, without favor, partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of such Mayor or Councilman of said town, a certificate of which shall be returned by said clerk and filed and recorded among the proceedings of said Mayor and Council; and the said Councilmen shall receive an annual salary of fifteen dollars each.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That if any vacancy shall happen in the office of Mayor or Council, by death, removal, resignation, failure to qualify or otherwise, the remaining Councilmen, at their next regular meeting, shall elect a suitable person as Mayor or Councilman, as the case may be, to serve until the next elec-

tion, who shall subscribe to the oath, which shall be certified to and recorded as in the preceding section; and at the next annual election the qualified voters shall elect by ballot a person to fill the said vacancy for the unexpired term.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor shall see that the ordinances of the town are faithfully executed, and shall report to the Council, after each annual election, the condition of municipal affairs, accompanying his reports with such recommendations as he may deem proper for the public good and welfare of the town. He shall have the power of vetoing any ordinances as hereinafter provided; and for his services shall receive an annual salary of fifty dollars.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor shall publish in one or more newspapers published in said town, at least ten days prior to holding each election, notice thereof, which notice shall state the object of such election, the day and hour of holding and the officers to be voted for. He shall also appoint, three days prior to holding such elections, three citizens, qualified voters of said town, to act as judges of elections, who, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, shall take oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester County, to act fairly and impartially as judges of election for Mayor and Councilmen; and in case of failure of said persons so appointed to appear and qualify, the Mayor shall issue a certificate to one or more persons to act as such judge or judges, who shall qualify as above; they shall appoint one of their own number as clerk; they shall keep the polls open from 2 o'clock P. M. to 6 o'clock P. M., and they shall, within two days after the election, return, under their hands, the number of votes cast, and for whom cast, with a copy of their oath, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester County, who shall file the same at once and issue certificates of elections to the persons receiving the largest number of votes; said certificates shall be recorded among the proceedings of the Council. Should the Mayor fail to perform the duties imposed upon him, he shall be subject to indictment in the Circuit Court for Worcester County, and, upon conviction, to a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars, to be paid into the treasury of the town.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That the Council shall meet the second Monday ensuing their election, and shall hold stated meetings the first Monday of every month thereafter, and adjourned meeting or meetings, called by the Mayor, as often as necessary for the transaction of business. A majority of the Councilmen shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted*, That at their first regular meeting after the annual election and the qualification of the newly elected members, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Mayor, by and with advice of the Council, shall appoint one person, who shall be a member of said Council, who shall be secretary and treasurer to said Board; one person who shall be policeman, one person as tax collector, and, if it shall be deemed advisable by said Mayor and Council, the Mayor shall also appoint one person as night watchman and one person as counsel to the Board; provided, however, that the policeman may also be collector of taxes. Any of the above-named officers shall be subject to removal by a vote of four-fifths of the whole Council, or by a vote of three Councilmen with the approval of the Mayor. The Council shall prescribe their duties and fix their compensation by ordinance, except the secretary and treasurer, who shall receive, in addition to his salary as Councilman, the sum of twenty-five dollars per annum.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted,* That the secretary shall keep a careful and accurate record of the proceedings of the Council and record all the ordinances passed, in well-bound books to be kept exclusively for that purpose, keep all books, papers, records and documents in his safe custody, make out the assessment books, issue licenses and permits and receive the money therefor, to be paid into the treasury, and make monthly reports of the same; he shall file all claims and accounts presented against the town, and when the same are approved and passed by the Council, make a record of the same, and perform such other duties as are imposed upon him by law or ordinances or by order of the Council; and as treasurer he shall receive all money that may be collected for taxes, fees, fines or otherwise, by any law or ordinance, or through the policeman, collector, or by himself as secretary, and credit each item under separate heads, and shall deposit the same in the First National Bank of Snow Hill to the credit of the Mayor and Council promptly, and make monthly reports; and all such moneys shall be paid out only by order of the Council, approved by the Mayor and countersigned by said secretary and treasurer; he shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties as such secretary and treasurer, and shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, to be approved by the Mayor and Council, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties; and his books shall be subject to inspection by any taxpayer.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the policeman, before entering upon his duties, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of five hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties for the enforcement of the ordinances of the town and the preservation of its peace and good order; he shall be vested with all the police powers of constable, and any one resisting him in the discharge of his duties shall be liable upon conviction to punishment in the same manner and to the same extent as if he had resisted a constable; and he shall perform all such other duties as are or shall be imposed upon him by law, ordinance or by order of the Mayor or Council, and he shall pay over to the treasurer monthly all fines and fees collected by him.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted,* That the tax collector, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties and give bond to the State of Maryland in a sum twice the amount of the taxes levied, to be approved by the Mayor and Council, and conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties; he shall collect all taxes that may be levied by law, ordinance or otherwise, and shall pay the same promptly to the treasurer; he shall keep safe, and return when demanded, his tax assessment books, bills, papers and receipts, and shall make monthly reports of his collections; his books shall be subject to inspection by any taxpayer; all such taxes shall be collected as county taxes are now collected in Worcester County, or by suit and execution, as debts are now collected.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That the night watchman, before entering upon his duties, shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties; he shall be vested with all the police powers of constables, and any one resisting him in the discharge of his duties shall be liable upon conviction to punishment in the same manner and to the same extent as if he had resisted a constable. The

Mayor shall have power to appoint special police for a term not exceeding forty-eight hours, when he deems it necessary for the peace and good order of the town, and to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation.

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council shall have power to make such by-laws and pass such ordinances, not contrary to law and in conformity with this Charter, as they may deem necessary for the good government of the town and the inhabitants thereof; to prevent, remove and abate all nuisances and obstructions in or upon the streets, sidewalks, highways, lanes, alleys, drains, waterways or rivers, or in or upon any lot, and to provide for imposing a fine or fines upon any person or persons causing or creating any such nuisance or obstructions; to grant permits for, and control and regulate the erection of all buildings, specifying in all cases the material of which they shall be built, and for what purpose used, and to have power to remove or order the removal of any building that may be a nuisance, or that may have been erected or built of wood and commonly known as frame buildings, on the burnt district since the fire of August the seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, that may have been erected under a permit to erect temporary buildings or that may have been erected contrary to any ordinance heretofore passed, or hereafter to be passed, that may endanger any building contiguous thereto in case of fire; and to have power to fix all building lines in said town, and to enact ordinances and impose fines for the enforcement of these provisions; to establish grades upon the streets, gutters and sidewalks of said town, the width thereof, and prescribe the material of which they shall be built; to cause the sidewalks along said public streets to be graded, paved, repaved or improved, and curbs to be set, at the cost and expense of the owners of the abutting property, which cost shall be a lien on the abutting property and recoverable by action at law, or compel, by fines or otherwise, the owner or proprietors of any such lot or lots to grade, pave or repave the sidewalks, set curbs in front thereof, agreeable to ordinances that may hereafter be passed; to establish a market house by lease or otherwise, and regulate the days, hours and limits thereof and mode of dealing therein; to grant licenses or permits for the sale of marketable commodities such as fresh meats, fruits, vegetables, poultry, etc.; to control and protect the public grounds, cemeteries and property of said town; to provide for and regulate the issuing of licenses or permits for all hawking, peddling and vending of any goods, wares or merchandise of every description upon the streets or highways of said town, or to itinerant peddlers that go from house to house to sell their goods, wares, merchandise, or to itinerant persons who dispense patent medicines or medical advice; to regulate and provide for licenses and tax on all carts, wagons, carriages, hacks and vehicles of all kinds that ply for hire within the limits of said town; to provide for and regulate licenses or permits for all exhibitions and shows within said town, or to prohibit and restrain them, and to prohibit and restrain gambling and games of chance of all kinds; to regulate and provide for a tax on dogs; to provide for and prevent the running at large of all horses, cattle, hogs, geese, chickens and other fowl upon the streets or within the limits of said town; to provide by ordinance for condemning, laying out, opening, extending and making new streets or alleys, and for altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving, closing up in whole or in part any existing street or alley, and for removing trees, posts and other

obstructions, and for laying out public squares, drains, water courses; and all benefits or damages done, suffered or incurred by the laying out, opening and making of new streets or alleys, or by altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up in whole or in part any existing street or alley, or laying out of public squares, drains and water courses, shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Council, who shall, within ten days after ratification of their appointment, take an oath before a justice of the peace of Worcester County that they will faithfully and fairly, and without partiality or prejudice, value and assess the loss and damages to be suffered and incurred by any person or persons interested in the said property, over, through and by which the said street or alley, square, drain or waterway is to be opened, closed, extended, widened, graded or improved, and also to establish the benefits that may accrue therefrom to any such property, over, through and by which the said street or alley, square, drain or waterway is to be opened, closed, extended, widened, graded or improved, or any property adjacent thereto, or any other property injured or benefited by said street, alley, square, drain or waterway; they shall give at least ten days' notice in one or more newspapers published in said town of their purpose to lay out, open, extend, close up, widen, straighten, grade or improve the street or alley, square, drain or waterway so directed to be laid out, opened, extended, closed up, widened, straightened, graded or improved, and the day, hour and place of meeting for the said purpose, and they shall meet at the time and place mentioned in the notice given by them, and proceed to exercise the powers and perform the duty assigned to and required of them, and to ascertain whether any and what amount in value of damages will be caused thereby, for which the owner or occupant of any right or interest claimed in any ground or improvement ought to be compensated over and above the amount in value of benefit which will thereby accrue to such owner or occupant thereof, and ascertain what amount in value of benefit will thereby accrue to any lot or parcel of ground by or through which the same may pass, or improvements made, or any other property, or to the owner or occupant thereof, and which the said lot or parcel of ground or the owner or occupant thereof ought to pay; they shall locate boundaries and prepare an explanatory map, giving description of the street or alley opened, closed, extended, widened, straightened or improved, with each separate lot or parcel of ground deemed to have sustained damages or received benefits, and they shall, within ten days, return to the Mayor and Council such map, together with the amount of damages awarded to such owners or occupants, and the amount of benefits assessed to any lot or parcel of ground, or the owner thereof, together with a certificate of their qualifications, which may be ratified or rejected or altered and amended, in whole or in part, by said Mayor and Council; provided, that the Mayor and Council shall give ten days' notice, at least, by publication in one of the county papers published in Snow Hill, or by ten days' notice, at least, in writing to each property owner so interested, of the time set for final action on return of said examiners; and said Mayor and Council shall act on said returns within twenty days after expiration of said notice, and may issue a new commission, as, in their judgment, may seem proper, and before actually proceeding to open, widen, extend or close any such street or

alley, the Mayor and Council shall pay or tender to the person, his agent, guardian or representative, the amount of damages so awarded; and if any one should feel aggrieved by the decision of the Mayor and Council in any matter relating to their decision, he, she or they may appeal to the Circuit Court for Worcester County, by giving written notice within twenty days from said decision, filed with the secretary of the Council, of their desire to appeal, and on the filing of said notice it shall be the duty of the said secretary to deliver the papers connected therewith to the clerk of said court, and the same proceedings shall be had in the appeal as in the cases of appeals from judgments of justices of the peace; provided, nevertheless, that the Mayor and Council may decline to open, lay out, extend, widen, grade or straighten any streets, alley or highway, or any square, waterway or drain, notwithstanding the decision of said court; but in case of refusal so to do, they shall be liable for all costs incurred, and shall pay the same. All benefits assessed by virtue of the above provisions shall be liens on the respective lots or parcels of ground on which they are assessed for the time of the final ratification of the aforesaid return, and shall be collected as taxes are collected, or may be collected by action at law. On appeal the court or jury may alter the award so returned, whether damages or benefits, and award costs in its discretion.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted*, That for the purposes of carrying out the foregoing powers, and for the preservation of the health, cleanliness, peace and good order of the community, and for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens from fire or disease, and to suppress or cause to be suppressed, abated or discontinued, any and all nuisances within the limits of said town, they may pass any and all ordinances and by-laws from time to time necessary; and to enforce and insure the observance of the said ordinances, in addition to an action in debt, or such other civil remedies as may exist in such cases by law for the recovery of fees, fines and penalties thereto affixed, they may affix thereto reasonable fines; and in default of payment of any fine so imposed, they may provide for the imprisonment of the offender for a period not exceeding thirty days, in the county jail, or until such fines are paid, and instead of the foregoing penalties it shall be lawful, in the case of vagrancy, to sentence such person to hard labor on the public streets not exceeding ten days.

SEC. 18. *And be it enacted*, That all ordinances and by-laws passed by the Council shall be sent to the Mayor for his approval; he shall return the same to the next stated or special meeting of the Council, with his approval or disapproval; and any ordinance or by-laws returned by the Mayor without his approval shall not become a law unless subsequently passed at a regular meeting by a four-fifths vote of the whole Council, and within sixty days from the time of the return of the ordinance.

SEC. 19. *And be it enacted*, That all ordinances and by-laws heretofore passed by the Commissioners of Snow Hill, and now in force and not in conflict with the provisions of this act, shall be valid and remain in force until the same are repealed, amended or modified by the Mayor and Council; and all contracts entered into by said Commissioners for the good of said town are hereby ratified and confirmed, and declared to be binding upon said town, and to be enforced by the Mayor and Council.

SEC. 20. *And be it enacted*, That power is hereby given to the Mayor and Council, to be elected, under the provisions of this act, and to their successors in office, to restrict and prevent any person or persons from building, erecting or constructing any dwelling, shop, factory, store or other building within the limits designated by a certain ordinance number twenty-four, passed by the Town Commissioners of Snow Hill on the fifteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, unless the same be of brick, stone, iron or other non-combustible material; and that ordinance number twenty-four aforesaid be and the same is hereby declared valid, and shall remain in force until the same is repealed, amended or modified by the Mayor and Council to be created under this act.

SEC. 21. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council shall cause each male inhabitant of Snow Hill, of twenty-one years of age and upwards, to work on the streets, lanes and alleys of said town, under the supervision of the policeman, at least two days in each year, and as much oftener as they may deem necessary, not exceeding four days in one year. And if any person as aforesaid, after having been summoned in writing one day previous to the day appointed by the policeman for working on the streets, shall fail to appear or provide someone in his stead, he shall, upon conviction before a justice of the peace, be fined seventy-five cents, and shall be required to pay the costs of said conviction; and the policeman shall receive for his services under this section not exceeding one dollar per day that he is actually engaged in working on said street.

SEC. 22. *And be it enacted*, That from any judgment rendered by the Mayor in the enforcement of the ordinances of the town, on appeal, shall be by the party aggrieved, to the Circuit Court for Worcester County; provided, the same is prayed at once, and good and sufficient bond, approved by the Mayor, be given for payment of fine and all costs in case judgment be affirmed.

SEC. 23. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council shall have charge and control of the lighting of the streets of said town and shall have power to contract for lighting the same; provided, that any existing contract made by the Commissioners of Snow Hill for lighting the streets shall be recognized and enforced by the Mayor and Council.

SEC. 24. *And be it enacted*, That all property, both real and personal, within the limits of Snow Hill, and all personal securities and judgments and stock held or owned by citizens of said town, shall be taxed for municipal purposes; and the Council shall provide for a reassessment of the property of said town whenever and as often as at a general election in said town a majority of the voters shall vote for a reassessment; and until such time as a reassessment shall be so ordered the Council shall recognize the assessment now in force, with such additions and corrections as may be necessary to be made by the Council to meet the annual changes therein; and whenever a reassessment shall be ordered as before prescribed, the Mayor shall appoint three taxpayers of said town, to be approved by the Council, to value and assess the property of said town, the said assessors to subscribe to an oath to perform the duties imposed upon them without favor, fear, partiality or prejudice; and they shall, within thirty days from qualification, make return of their assessment to the Mayor and Council; and any one feeling aggrieved at the valuation of his or her property by said assessors may at any time within thirty days appeal from said valuation to the Council, who, on good

cause shown, may make any change or alteration in said assessment which they may think proper and right; and all taxpayers may inspect the books of assessment free of charge.

SEC. 25. *And be it enacted*, That the Council shall, each and every year, at least, thirty days before striking the levy, add and include in the assessment all taxable property omitted by the assessors, all property acquired since the assessment, and all improvements made since; and they shall give at least thirty days' notice by hand bills of the time of making the levy, and shall hear all complaints made, at the meeting next ensuing, of any such addition to the assessment of property omitted, acquired and improved.

SEC. 26. *And be it enacted*, That the Council shall levy at the first meeting in January, annually, on the assessable property of said town, a sum sufficient to meet the current expenses of the preceding year, such taxes not to exceed twenty cents on every one hundred dollars' worth of property; and such taxes, when levied, shall be a lien upon the property assessed and shall be collected as county taxes are collected in Worcester County, or as debts are collected; or the Mayor and Council may adopt, by ordinance, some other mode for the collection of the same.

SEC. 27. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council shall have the power to employ all labor, or authorize the policeman to do so, that may be necessary, and to fix the price to be paid for the same.

SEC. 28. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council shall publish annually, by printed hand bills or otherwise, a full and complete tabulated statement of their receipts and disbursements at least one week before the annual levy, and the secretary to the Council shall be charged with the duty of furnishing said statement.

SEC. 29. *And be it enacted*, That the Commissioners now in office shall remain and continue to be Commissioners of Snow Hill until the first election under this act, and until their successors in the persons of Mayor and Council are elected and qualified; and all their acts shall have the same effect as if this act had not been passed; and that all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 30. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6th, 1894.

WATER WORKS ACT.

AN ACT to allow the legal and qualified voters of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, to decide by ballot whether or not town coupon bonds not exceeding the amount of eighteen thousand dollars shall be issued by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill for the purpose of providing a water supply for said town.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That at the election to be held in the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, Maryland, on the first Monday of May, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, for

Mayor and Councilmen of said town, that the question whether or not said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill shall issue coupon bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand dollars or less for the purpose of providing a water supply for the protection of said town against fire, and for other purposes, shall be and is hereby directed to be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of said town; and in order to advise the citizens of said town of the intent of this act it shall be the duty of the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill to publish in some newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in said town the substance of this act, for at least one week previous to said election, and by such other notice as they may deem necessary and proper.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the election provided for in section one hereof shall be held in conformity to the provisions of an Act of Assembly of 1894, authorizing an election for Mayor and Councilmen for said town, and the ballots shall have printed on them the words, "For the issue of Water Bonds," and "Against the issue of Water Bonds"; the returns of said election shall be made in the same manner as is provided for in the said municipal election; and if a majority of the votes cast shall be against the issuing of water bonds, then, and in that case, no bonds shall be issued, but if a majority of the votes cast shall be for the issuing of water bonds, then the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill shall issue said bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand dollars or less, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That if the decision by said election shall be for the issuing of water bonds, the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and directed to borrow on the credit of the town of Snow Hill an amount not exceeding the sum of eighteen thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor in sums of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars, each to be signed by the Mayor of the said town, and to be countersigned by the secretary and treasurer of the corporation, with the seal of the said town attached, and to be registered by said secretary and treasurer in a separate book, kept for that purpose; said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each and every year until the said bonds are paid; said bonds shall be forever exempt from all taxation whatsoever, except for State purposes, and shall have printed on them a distinct reference to the act and the election directing their issue, and any subsequent transfer of said bonds may be registered or not, at the option of any purchaser or purchasers.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That said bonds shall be issued in eighteen series, each consisting of one thousand dollars of the said amount, and shall be redeemable as follows: One thousand dollars thereof in ten years from the date of their issue, and thereafter, annually, one thousand dollars in each and every year until the whole amount so issued shall have been paid; and said bonds shall be sold at public or private sale, in the discretion of said Mayor and Council; provided, that none of said bonds shall be sold at less than par.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of redeeming said bonds at their maturity; and for securing the prompt payment of the interest thereon, the said Mayor and Council are hereby empowered and directed to apply all net income arising from water rents after paying all necessary expenses for main-

taining a proper and sufficient supply of water and for betterments and repairs, first, to the payment of the interest on said bonds, and secondly, as to the remainder, if there be any, the same to be invested in a sinking fund for the payment of said bonds as they respectively mature, the coupons on said bonds shall be receivable by said Mayor and Council in payment of taxes due to said town. In the event that the net amount received from said water rents after deducting the aforesaid expenses referred to in this section shall not be sufficient in amount to pay the interest on said bonds and the principal thereof as it shall become due, the said Mayor and Council shall annually levy on the taxable property of said town such sums of money as shall, in their discretion, be necessary for the prompt payment of the interest on said bonds, and the principal thereof, when the same may become due, and any surplus on hand at any time arising from such levy shall be by the said Mayor and Council invested in some safe securities as a sinking fund, which shall not at any time be diverted from the purposes of this act.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the money arising from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to the Mayor and Council of said town, and by them be deposited in the First National Bank of Snow Hill, and shall only be drawn therefrom on checks signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the secretary and treasurer; and the said secretary and treasurer shall keep in a book for the purpose a full registry of the bonds sold, the different series, the number of the bonds and the name of the purchaser and amounts realized on sale, and any transfer and assignments of the same, when requested by any subsequent purchaser or purchasers.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said Mayor and Council shall select, in their discretion, some depository in which to deposit the money necessary for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds as the same may mature and become due; provided, that said Mayor and Council shall select by resolution said depository before issuing said bonds, and shall designate the same on said bonds and on the coupons thereto attached.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the said Mayor and Council shall procure the services of a competent water engineer to give them plans and specifications in the erection of water works, reservoirs, conduits, plugs and all necessary equipments for water works, and a sufficient supply of water, and after receiving the said plans and specifications, they shall invite sealed proposals, by advertisements for a reasonable time, for the construction and completion of said works, which proposals shall be sent in sealed envelope addressed to said Mayor and Council, and by them shall be publicly opened on the day named in said advertisement; said proposals shall set forth the amount of money for which the parties proposing will construct such works, according to the plans and specifications submitted, and the time or times at which payment therefor shall be made, and the time when said water works will be completed; and the said Mayor and Council may reject any and all bids, or award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder therefor, at their discretion, requiring any accepted bidder to give bond in such penalty as said Mayor and Council shall determine, conditioned for the faithful performance of the contract entered into.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 27th, 1896.

QUALIFICATION FOR VOTERS.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 5 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January session of 1894, entitled "An Act to Repeal Sections 237 to 259, both inclusive, of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Worcester County,' sub-title 'Snow Hill,' and to repeal all Acts or clauses of Acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland with reference to the charter of the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and to re-enact and grant to the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, a new charter."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 5 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session of 1894, entitled "An Act to repeal Sections 237 to 259, both inclusive, of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Worcester County,' sub-title 'Snow Hill,' and to repeal all Acts or clauses of Acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland with reference to the charter of the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and re-enact and grant to the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, a new charter," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

5. That any male citizen of the United States who has never been convicted of any infamous crime, either in this State or elsewhere, but who has resided within the State for one year and in the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill for six months next preceding the election, and who is above the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote at all municipal elections hereafter held in said town of Snow Hill, provided he shall possess, at least, one of the following qualifications, namely:

First. If he is the bona fide and actual owner of real or personal property to the value of five hundred dollars or upwards, for which he has been duly and lawfully assessed on the assessment books of said town; or,

Secondly. If prior to January 1, 1868, he was entitled to vote in the State of Maryland or elsewhere in the United States at a State election; or,

Thirdly. If he is the male lawful descendant of a person who prior to January 1, 1868, was entitled to vote in the State of Maryland or elsewhere in the United States at a State election, and the male citizens of said town of Snow Hill who are qualified to vote as herein described and set forth shall, on the first Monday of May, 1904, and on the same day every second year thereafter, elect by ballot one person to be Mayor, and likewise, on the first Monday in May, 1904, elect by ballot five persons to be City Councilmen, and on the same day every year thereafter elect by ballot three persons as Councilmen to succeed those whose term of office is about to expire, and it shall be the duty of the three newly elected Councilmen at their first regular meeting to designate by lot two of their number to remain in office for two years.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 25, 1904.

PROVIDING FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT, ACT NO. 1.

AN ACT to enable the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, to borrow upon the faith and credit of said town a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, and to issue and sell coupon bonds therefor, to provide funds for the improvement of the streets, avenues, alleys and ways of said Snow Hill, and to provide for the levy and collection of taxes to meet the interest and principal of said bonds as the same become due.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That for the purpose of improving the streets, avenues, alleys and ways of the town of Snow Hill, as more particularly hereinafter set out, the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to borrow upon the credit of the town of Snow Hill an amount not exceeding the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor in sums not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars each, to be signed by the Mayor of said town and to be countersigned by the treasurer of said corporation, with the seal of said town attached; said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each and every year until the said bonds are paid; said bonds shall be forever exempt from all taxation whatsoever, and shall have printed on them a distinct reference to this Act directing their issue.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said bonds shall be issued in series from one to fifteen inclusive, according to the aggregate amount issued, each series consisting of one thousand dollars of said amount, and shall be redeemable and payable as follows: One thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and thereafter annually on the first day of July in each and every year one thousand dollars thereof until the whole amount so issued shall have been paid, and said bonds shall be sold at public or private sale and in such amounts—not less, however, than one thousand dollars at any one time and not exceeding in the total the said sum of fifteen thousand dollars—and at such times as the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in their discretion, may deem proper, until the said fifteen series have been issued and sold; provided, that none of said bonds shall be sold at less than par.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of redeeming said bonds at their maturity and for securing the prompt payment of the interest thereon, the said Mayor and Council are hereby empowered and directed to annually levy on the taxable property of said town such sums of money as shall, in their discretion, be necessary for the prompt payment of the interest on said bonds, and the principal thereof, when the same may become due, all surplus arising from said special levy, after the payment of said interest and the necessary costs of betterments and repairs, shall be by the said Mayor and Council invested in some safe securities as a sinking fund, which shall not at any time be diverted from the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the money arising from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to the Mayor and Council of said town, and by them be deposited in bank, and shall only be drawn therefrom by checks signed by the Mayor and

countersigned by the treasurer; and the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and empowered to use said funds in the payment of the expenses for the improvement of the streets, avenues, alleys and ways of said town of Snow Hill, which the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are by this Act authorized to have made.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to take such steps and means for the improvement of any or all of the streets, avenues, alleys or ways of said Snow Hill by curbing, recurbing, grading, regrading, paving, shelling, placing stone or other materials from curb to curb or any part thereof, widening, straightening or otherwise altering or improving said streets, avenues, alleys, ways or any of them as to the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in the exercise of their discretion, may deem proper and to the best interests of said town, using therefor whatever instruments, materials or means, and having said work done and improvements made in whatever manner that to said Mayor and Council may seem best; and for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of this Act the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and empowered, if they see fit, to employ, and from the funds raised by the issue and sale of said bonds, to compensate a competent engineer or engineers to plan, oversee and direct the improvements or changes as aforesaid; and the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are further authorized and empowered to employ and pay as aforesaid such other agents, servants or laborers as to them may seem necessary or proper to make such improvements or changes as aforesaid, and further, to purchase and pay for such materials and to purchase and pay for or to hire or rent such tools, implements or machinery as to them may seem necessary or proper to make such improvements or changes, and to do any other act or thing which to them may seem necessary or proper in order to carry out the intentions of this Act.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer of said town of Snow Hill shall keep in a book for the purpose a full registry of the bonds sold, the different series, the number of the bonds and the name of the purchaser and amounts realized on sale, and any transfer and assignments of the same, when requested by any subsequent purchaser or purchasers.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said Mayor and Council shall select, in their discretion, some depository in which to deposit the money necessary for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds as the same may mature and become due; provided, that the said Mayor and Council shall select by resolution said depository before issuing said bonds and shall designate the same on said bonds and coupons thereto attached.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

PROVIDING FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT, ACT. NO. 2.

AN ACT to enable the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, to borrow upon the faith and credit of said town, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars, and to issue and sell coupon bonds therefor, to provide funds for the improvement of certain parts of streets, avenues, alleys and ways of said Snow Hill, hereinafter named, and to provide for the levy and collections of taxes to meet the interest and principal of said bonds as the same become due.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That for the purpose of improving Bay street, in said town of Snow Hill, from Market street to the tracks of the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad; also for the purpose of improving Market street, from present stone road on said Market street to the new county stone road on the old county road leading from Snow Hill to Berlin, and running between the properties of Mrs. Mary E. Campbell and Stephen L. Purnell, across the switch tracks of the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad, and thence to said county stone road; and also for the purpose of improving Washington street, commencing at the intersection of Washington street and Federal street; thence down Washington street to the street between the property owned by John Walter Smith and the vacant lot of John B. Timmons; the Mayor and Council are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to borrow upon the credit of the town of Snow Hill, an amount not exceeding the sum of six thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor in sums of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars each, to be signed by the Mayor of said town and to be countersigned by the treasurer of said corporation, with the seal of said town attached; said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July, in each and every year, until the said bonds are paid. Said bonds shall be exempt from municipal and county taxation and shall have printed on them a distinct reference to this Act directing their issue, and the money arising from the sale of said bonds shall be used for the purpose of improving the streets set forth in this section, and for no other purpose whatever.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That said bonds shall be issued in series from one to six, inclusive, according to the aggregate amount issued, each series consisting of one thousand dollars of said amount, and shall be redeemable and payable as follows: One thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year 1941; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July in the year 1942; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July in the year 1943; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year 1944; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July in the year 1945; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July in the year 1946, until the whole amount so issued shall have been paid, and said bonds shall be sold at public or private sales, and in such amounts—not less, however, than one thousand dollars at any one time, and not exceeding the total sum of six thousand dollars—and at such times as the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in their discretion, may deem proper until the said six series have been issued and sold; provided, that none of said bonds shall be sold at less than par.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of redeeming said bonds at their maturity and for securing the prompt payment of the interest thereon, the said Mayor and Council are hereby empowered and directed to annually levy on the taxable property of said town such sums of money as shall in their discretion be necessary for the prompt payment of the interest on said bonds and the principal thereof when the same may become due. All surplus arising from said special levy, after the payment of said interest and the necessary costs and betterments and repairs, shall be by the said Mayor and Council invested in some safe securities as a sinking fund, which shall not at any time be diverted from the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the money arising from the sale of said bonds shall be paid to the Mayor and Council of said town, and by them be deposited in bank, and shall only be drawn therefrom by checks signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the treasurer; and the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and empowered to use said funds in the payment of the expenses for the improvements of the streets, avenues, alleys and ways of said town of Snow Hill as set forth in section one, and for no other purpose whatever, which the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are by this Act authorized to have made.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to take such steps and means for the improvement of certain of the streets, avenues, alleys or ways of said Snow Hill, as set forth in section one of this Act, by curbing, recurbing, grading, regrading, paving, shelling, placing stone or other materials from curb to curb, or any part thereof, widening, straightening or otherwise altering or improving said streets, avenues, alleys and ways hereinbefore named, or any of them, as the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in the exercise of their discretion, and to the best interest of said town, using therefor similar instruments, materials or means, and having said work done and improvements made in the same manner and of the same material as used in the improvement of other streets of said town, it being contemplated by this Act that stone shall be the material used in the construction of the said streets named in this Act, and the improvements herein contemplated shall be made in the following order: First, the completion of the improvement of Bay street from Market street to Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad tracks; second, the completion of the improvements hereby authorized for Washington street, and third, the completion of the improvement for Market street; and for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of this Act the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and empowered, if they see fit, to employ, and from the funds raised by the issue and sale of said bonds to compensate, a competent engineer or engineers to plan, oversee and direct the improvements or changes as aforesaid; and the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are further authorized and empowered to employ and pay as aforesaid such other agents, servants or laborers as to them may seem necessary or proper to make such improvements or changes as aforesaid; and further, to purchase and to pay for such materials and to purchase and to pay for or to hire or rent such tools, implements or machinery as to them may seem necessary or proper to make such improvements or changes, and to do any other act or thing which to them may seem necessary or proper in order to carry out the intentions of this Act.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the treasurer of said town of Snow Hill shall keep in a book for the purpose a full registry of the bonds sold, the different series, the number of the bonds, and the name of the purchaser and the amounts realized on the sale, and any transfer and assignments of the same when requested by any subsequent purchaser or purchasers.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said Mayor and Council shall deposit in the First National Bank of Snow Hill the money necessary for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds, as the same may mature and become due, and shall designate said bank on said bonds and the coupons thereto attached.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6, 1908.

WATER WORKS EXTENSION ACT, CONTAINING POWER TO RETIRE WATER BOND ISSUE OF 1896.

AN ACT to enable the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, to borrow upon the faith and credit of said town a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars, and to issue and sell coupon bonds therefor to provide funds for the purpose of retiring the water bonds heretofore issued by said Mayor and Council, as provided by Chapter 122 of the Acts of 1896, and further to provide a fund to be used in the liquidation of a certain debt created by said Mayor and Council in extending and improving the water works system of Snow Hill and other improvements in the town, and for the still further purpose of continuing the extension of the water works system by providing a suitable building to be occupied by said Mayor and Council and the firemen of the Snow Hill Volunteer Fire Department, and the acquirement of additional apparatus for the firemen, and to provide for the levy and collection of taxes to meet the interest and principal of said bonds as the same may become due.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That for the purpose of providing funds for the retirement of water bonds heretofore issued by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, as provided by Chapter 122 of the Acts of 1896, and other purposes, as more particularly hereinafter set out, the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to borrow upon the credit of the town of Snow Hill an amount not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor in sums not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars each, to be signed by the Mayor of said town, and to be countersigned by the treasurer of said corporation, with the seal of said town attached; said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of January and July in each and every year until the said bonds are paid; said bonds shall be forever exempt from county and municipal taxation, and shall have printed on them a distinct reference to the Act directing their issue.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said bonds shall be issued in series from one to eighteen, inclusive, according to the aggregate amount issued, each series consisting of one thousand dollars of said amount, and shall be redeemable and payable as follows: One thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-six; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-seven; one thousand dollars thereof on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-eight; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, one thousand dollars, or such an amount shall be redeemable and payable as may have been issued of the sixth series of bonds above referred to, and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the seventh series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-one, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued by the eighth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-two, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued by the ninth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-three, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the tenth series of bonds referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-four, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the eleventh series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-five, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the twelfth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-six, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the thirteenth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the fourteenth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the fifteenth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the sixteenth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and forty, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the seventeenth series of bonds above referred to; and on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and forty-one, one thousand dollars, or such an amount as may have been issued of the eighteenth series of bonds above referred to, until the whole amount issued shall have been paid; and said bonds shall be sold at private or public sale in such amounts, not more, however, than five thousand dollars in the year nineteen hundred and eight, nor more than one thousand dollars each year thereafter, it being the purpose of this Act to issue on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and eight, the sum of five thousand dollars of said bonds, and each year thereafter, on the first day of July, such amount as may be

required to retire the maturing bond of the issue of water bonds authorized by the Act of Assembly of 1896, particularly set out by Chapter 122 of said Act, until the said eighteen series have been issued and sold; provided, that none of said bonds shall be sold at less than par.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of redeeming said bonds at their maturity and for securing the prompt payment of the interest thereon, the said Mayor and Council are hereby empowered and directed to annually levy on the taxable property of said town such sums of money as shall in their discretion be necessary for the prompt payment of the interest on said bonds, and the principal thereof, when the same may become due, and any surplus on hand at any time arising from such levy shall be by the said Mayor and Council invested in some safe securities, as a sinking fund, which shall not at any time be diverted from the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the money arising from the sale of said bonds each and every year shall be paid to the Mayor and Council of said town, and by them be deposited in the First National Bank of Snow Hill, and shall only be drawn therefrom by check signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the treasurer; and the said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill are hereby authorized and empowered to use said funds for the retirement of the outstanding water bonds heretofore issued under Chapter 122 of the Acts of 1896, as the same may fall due year by year. They are also authorized and empowered to use a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars in the liquidation of any present debt that may be due by said Mayor and Council, and in the improvement and extension of the water works system of the town in providing a suitable building for the occupancy of the Mayor and Council and the Volunteer Fire Department, and the acquirement of additional apparatus for said firemen.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the treasurer of said town of Snow Hill shall keep in a book for the purpose a full registry of the bonds sold, the different series, the number of the bonds and the name of the purchaser and amounts realized on sale, and any transfer and assignments of the same, when requested by any subsequent purchaser or purchasers.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said Mayor and Council shall deposit in the First National Bank of Snow Hill the money necessary for the payment of the principal and interest on said bonds as the same may mature and become due, and shall designate said bank on said bonds and the coupons thereto attached.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 5, 1908.

LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

AN ACT to repeal Section 26 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, 1894, entitled "An Act to repeal Sections 237 to 259, both inclusive, of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Worcester County,' sub-title 'Snow Hill,' and to repeal all Acts or clauses of Acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland with reference to the Charter of the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and to re-enact and grant to the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, a new charter," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 26 of Chapter 455 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland 1894, entitled "An Act to repeal Sections 237 to 259, both inclusive, of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Worcester County,' sub-title 'Snow Hill,' and to repeal all Acts or clauses of Acts heretofore passed by the General Assembly of Maryland with reference to the charter of the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, in conflict with the provisions of this Act and re-enact and grant to the town of Snow Hill, in Worcester County, a new charter," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

26. That the Council shall levy at the first meeting in June annually, on the assessable property of said town a sum sufficient to meet the current expenses of that year, including also the maturing obligations on account of water, street improvement or other bonds or indebtedness; and such taxes when levied shall be a lien upon the property assessed and shall be collected as county taxes are collected; or the Mayor and Council may adopt by ordinance some other mode for the collection of the same; and the annual levy so made shall be due and payable on the first day of January next succeeding, but should any taxpayer desire to pay his, her, their or its taxes prior to said first day of January, he, she, they or it may do so, and the Council shall allow on all taxes paid before the first day of September a discount of four per cent.; on all taxes paid before the first day of October, a discount of three per cent.; on all taxes paid before the first day of November, a discount of two per cent., and on all taxes paid before the first day of December, a discount of one per cent.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved....., 1912.

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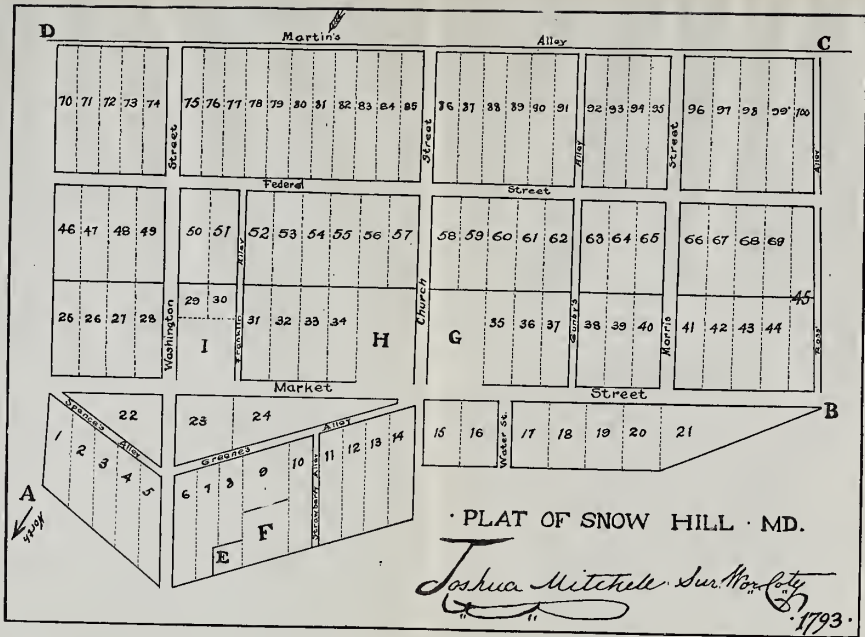
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26. That the Council shall levy at the first meeting in June annually, on the assessable property of said town a sum sufficient to meet the current expenses of that year, including also the maturing obligations on account of water, street improvement or other bonds or indebtedness; and such taxes when levied shall be a lien upon the property assessed and shall be collected as county taxes are collected; or the Mayor and Council may adopt by ordinance some other mode for the collection of the same; and the annual levy so made shall be due and payable on the first day of January next succeeding, but should any taxpayer desire to pay his, her, their or its taxes prior to said first day of January, he, she, they or it may do so, and the Council shall allow on all taxes paid before the first day of September a discount of four per cent.; on all taxes paid before the first day of October, a discount of three per cent.; on all taxes paid before the first day of November, a discount of two per cent., and on all taxes paid before the first day of December, a discount of one per cent.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved....., 1912.



· PLAT OF SNOW HILL · MD.

Joshua Mitchell. Sur. Warr. Co. Ky.
1793.



Referring to plat of Snow Hill made by virtue of an Act of Assembly of the State of Maryland passed November 2, 1792, which Act appointed Messrs. Isaac Houston, Josiah Mitchell, James Bacon, John Gunby and John Selby Purnell Commissioners, with full power and authority, with the Surveyor of Worcester County, to survey and lay out and make a new plat of Snow Hill Town, Worcester County, Maryland, which plat was completed and filed for record in the clerk's office in Snow Hill, Maryland, March the 14th, 1794, same having been duly recorded, together with the following illustrations thereof, among the records in Liber P, folios 286 to 294, inclusive, by Samuel R. Morris, clerk.

REFERRING TO PLAT:

Letter A shows the first bounder of Snow Hill.
Letter B shows the second bounder of Snow Hill.
Letter C shows the third bounder of Snow Hill.
Letter D shows the fourth bounder of Snow Hill.
Letter E shows the Warehouse Lot.
Letter F shows the Old Church Lot.
Letter G shows the Market Lot.
Letter H shows the New Church Lot.
Letter I shows the Court House Lot.

Streets are described as follows:

Washington street from the bridge to the southeast side of the town is S. 32° E. 3 poles wide.

Church street is S. 30° 30' E. 3 poles wide.

Morris street is S. 30° 30' E. 3 poles wide.

Water street is S. 32° E. 3 poles wide.

Market street is S. 58° W. 3½ poles wide.

Federal street is S. 59° W. 3 poles wide.

Franklin alley is 30° 45' E. 1½ poles wide.

Gunby's alley is S. 30° 30' E. 1½ poles wide.

Ross's alley is S. 32° E. 1½ poles wide.

Spence's alley is W. 86° 30' W. 1½ poles wide.

Green's alley is S. 42° W. 1½ poles wide.

Strawberry alley is S. 32° E. 1½ poles 1 ft. wide.

(Martin's alley not given.)

HISTORY OF SNOW HILL PRIOR TO 1894.

The present charter was passed by the General Assembly of Maryland in 1894, which charter repealed the charter of 1878, Chapter 443, and amendments thereto by Acts of Assembly of 1882 and 1888, Chapters 335 and 177, respectively. The charter of 1878 repealed a previous charter enacted in 1868, Chapter 236, which charter repealed a charter passed prior to 1860 and found in the Code of 1860.

The first charter of the town seems to have been passed the 26th day of October, 1686, as will more fully appear by reference to the following records, for which we are indebted to Mr. Albert Levin Richardson, Committee Chairman of the Public Records of Maryland 1906, Recording Secretary of the Maryland Original Research Society.

ORIGIN OF SNOW HILL'S NAME.

In Lord Baltimore's Rent Rolls for Somerset County (at Maryland Historical Society), contemplating land grants from 1663 to 1723, I find the grant of the land which gave the name to the present city on the Pocomoke. It follows:

"500 acres—Snow Hill, surveyed Nov. 2, 1669, for William Stevenson on the south side Pocomoke at a marked Cypress to the southward of the Landing—250 acres possessed by Henry Bushop; 250 acres by Thomas Peterkin in the right of George Bishop."

The above grant proves, as I suspected, that the place was a landing for the convenience of the settlers and doubtless used by them as a ferry for years before the location was mentioned in the public records.

THE FIRST CHARTER.

Maryland Arch. 13, p. 134—Assembly Proceedings.

"Charles, Absolute Lord & propy of the Province of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. Proclaimed at his City of St. Maries the 26th day of October, 1686, "A Further Additional Act to the Act for Advancement of Trade and to the Supplementary Act to the same." The proclamation recites the Acts of 1683-'84 for the advancement of trade, et cetera, in which certain towns were designated as ports &c. * * * the deligates of this Genrall Assembly doe pray that it may be Enacted. And be it Enacted by the Right honorable the Lord Propy by & with the advice & consent of the Upper & lower houses of this present Genrall Assembly and the authority of the same that the Townes ports & places herein after perticularly menconed be anare hereby aded & made ports & places equall with the other Townes formerly by the acts aforesaid or either of them made and appointed where all shippes & vessels trading into this Province shall unlade & put on shore & sell barter & trafique, et cetera.

Among the new ports mentioned was the following: "In the county of Somerset a Towne or port at Snowhill on the land formerly belonging to Henry Bishop and last to Ann Bishop his widdow" * * * and that all persons that have already built upon the said land called "Snow Hill" shall enjoy their lotts as fully firmly & effectually as any other builders upon Lotts in any other Townes paying for the same as others doe."

THE CHARTER CONFIRMED.

Maryland Archives, vol. 19, p. 83—Maryland Assembly Proceedings.

By the Burgesses of Assembly. Octr. 15, 1694.

We find the following of interest under the above head in the proceedings of the date given:

"In the Act for Ports Wee are of Opinion that Rehoboth be made a port & Snow Hill a Towne in Somerset County and that Yarmouth in Dorchester County formerly a Towne be again so appointed, Baltimore Towne in Dorchester County not convenient for a port."

A ROYAL COMPLIMENT.

Maryland Archives, vol. 26, p. 637—date April 19, 1706.

In an Act of the Maryland Assembly for the advancement of trade and erecting ports, &c., John Seymour, Royal Governor of Maryland, ratifying the action of the Assembly in the following language: "On the behalf of her most Sacred Majesty Queen Anne &c., I will this be a law."

There you have the royal sanction to this Act which erected Snow Hill, among other towns, into a "Port where all Ships and Vessells trading into this Province shall unlade and put on shoare Negroes Wares goods merchandizes and Commodities whatsoever," the town of Rehoboth being the only other place sharing the honor conferred upon the country drained by the Pocomoke River.

In Vol. 28, p. 481 *et seq.*, also p. 494, same volume, Maryland Archives, you will find a very pretty story in which Snow Hill was interested about the wreck on your beach of a fleet of Spanish warships commanded by an Irish Admiral, in which figure treasure, arms, &c., galore, all of which I have not time to copy.

The Archives are doubtless in the County Clerk's office, or some of the lawyers may have them.

A. L. R.

SNOW HILL TOWN LAID OUT ANEW.

I find in "Bacon's Laws of Maryland," chapter XI, 1742, that the town of Snow Hill was granted several charters, so to speak, between its first incorporation in

1686. In the chapter above cited there is "An Act for laying out the Town a-new, commonly called Snow-Hill Town, in Somerset County."

"N. B.—Snow Hill was first erected into a Town by the Act of 1686, chapter 2, and again confirmed by 1706, chapter 14. By the present Act, (1) Certain Commisisoners appointed, and impowered to survey and lay out the same 100 acres laid out, as agreeable as conveniently may be to the original survey thereof, when first laid out into a Town, having regard to the Lots already improved and built upon, &c. (2) The Land so surveyed, &c. to be erected into a Town, and called Snow-Hill Town. (3) The owners of any of the Lots formerly taken up, but not built upon, are required to build (within Two Years after the survey made as aforesaid) upon such Lot or Lots, One House to cover 400 Square Feet of Ground, with one Brick Chimney at least; and on neglecting to build as aforesaid, the Right, Title and Property of such Owner to such Lot, at the Expiration of the said Two Years, shall cease, and the same Lot or Lots become the Property of the Proprietor of the Town Land, as if the same had never been sold or conveyed," et cetera.

The Act then provides for Commissioners and a Town-Clerk to govern the town, and also for the procedure in selling lots, &c., and recording the same in the records of Somerset County. Each possessor of a lot was to pay One Penny Sterling, per annum, for each lot, so taken up, paid for and built upon, to the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary, and his heirs forever.

A SUPPLEMENTARY ACT.

In Chapter VII, 1747, "Bacon's Laws of Maryland," I find this:

"A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for laying out the Town a-new, commonly called Snow-Hill Town, in Somerset County."

"N. B.—The Original Act of 1742, Chapter 11, having directed the Plat of the Town, and Proceedings of the Commissioners to be lodged with the Clerk of Somerset County, which (by reason of the late Davision of that County) might make it very inconvenient to the Inhabitants of Snow Hill Town to resort to the Clerk of Somerset County, for making the necessary searches, &c., the present Act directs, (1) That the Record Book of the Proceedings of the Commissioners and Plat of the Town, shall be transmitted to the Clerk of *Worcester* County, to be lodged among the Records of said County, &c. (2) That no Person living within the said Town, shall, on any pretence, keep any Swine or Geese. belonging to themselves, or any other, within the same Town, unless within their own Inclosures, under Penalty of Ten Shillings Current Money for each Transgression; to be recovered before any Magistrate as in the case of small Debts, for the Use of the County School."

Note.—The proceedings under the above Act of 1747, as well as plat of the town, ought to be found in the Worcester Land Records covering the period 1747-1750.—A. L. R.

MAYORS OF SNOW HILL.

John P. Moore.....From May, 1894, to May, 1900
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....From May, 1900, to May, 1902
William D. Corddry, Jr.....From May, 1902, to May, 1912

COUNCILMEN OF SNOW HILL.

Dr. Paul Jones.....	}	From May, 1894, to May, 1895. Dr. E. S. Dashiell, Secretary and Treasurer.
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....		
R. J. McAllen.....		
Robert W. Townsend.....		
John J. Collins.....		
Dr. Paul Jones.....	}	From May, 1895, to May, 1896. Dr. E. S. Dashiell, Secretary and Treasurer.
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....		
R. J. McAllen.....		
Robert W. Townsend.....		
Thomas Z. Johnson.....		
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....	}	From May, 1896, to May, 1897. Dr. E. S. Dashiell, Secretary and Treasurer.
Robert W. Townsend.....		
R. J. McAllen.....		
John J. Collins.....		
William S. Wilson.....		
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....	}	From May, 1897, to May, 1898. Dr. E. S. Dashiell, Secretary and Treasurer.
R. J. McAllen.....		
Robert W. Townsend.....		
Thomas Z. Johnson.....		
R. F. Ayars.....		
Dr. E. S. Dashiell.....	}	From May, 1898, to May, 1899. W. D. Corddry, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.
R. F. Ayars.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....		
John H. Burbage.....		
W. D. Corddry, Jr.....		
R. F. Ayars.....	}	From May, 1899, to May, 1900. W. D. Corddry, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....		
John H. Burbage.....		
W. D. Corddry, Jr.....		
John L. Nock.....		
R. F. Ayars.....	}	From May, 1900, to May, 1901. W. D. Corddry, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.
W. D. Corddry, Jr.....		
John L. Nock.....		
Laurence Hastings.....		
Dr. John S. Aydelotte.....		

Messrs. Hastings and Aydelotte resigned in January, 1901, and Messrs. James P. Townsend and Edward C. Connor were appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. Ayars resigned March, 1901, and Mr. John T. Taylor was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1901, to May, 1902. W. D. Corddry, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.
W. D. Corddry, Jr.....		
Benjamin T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
J. Samuel Price.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1902, to May, 1903. B. T. Truitt, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
A. D. Irwin.....		
J. Edward White.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1903, to May, 1904. B. T. Truitt, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
A. D. Irwin.....		
J. Edward White.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1904, to May, 1905. B. T. Truitt, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
J. Edward White.....		
George S. Payne.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1905, to May, 1906. B. T. Truitt, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
J. Edward White.....		
George S. Payne.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1906, to May, 1907. William C. Powell, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
Thomas P. Selby.....		
William C. Powell.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1907, to May, 1908. William C. Powell, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
William C. Powell.....		
Clarence M. Taylor.....		
Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1908, to May, 1909. William C. Powell, Secretary and Treasurer.
B. T. Truitt.....		
Walter C. Turner.....		
William C. Powell.....		
Clarence M. Taylor.....		

Dr. W. D. Straughn.....	}	From May, 1909, to May, 1910. William C. Powell, Secretary and Treasurer.
Walter C. Turner.....		
B. T. Truitt.....		
William C. Powell.....		
Clarence M. Taylor.....		

Mr. Taylor failed to qualify and Mr. Chas. A. Clarke was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Walter C. Turner.....	}	From May, 1910, to May, 1911. William J. Fowler, Secretary and Treasurer.
Benjamin T. Truitt.....		
William J. Fowler.....		
J. Samuel Price.....		
D. Frank Fooks.....		

J. Samuel Price.....	}	From May, 1911, to May, 1912. William J. Fowler, Secretary and Treasurer.
William J. Fowler.....		
Charles A. Clarke.....		
William E. Cluff.....		
D. Frank Fooks.....		

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RULES GOVERNING THE SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RULE 1. That an organization be effected to be called the "SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT," which organization shall be under the control of the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, and for the present composed of eighteen members, which number may be hereafter increased or decreased by such regulations as shall be adopted for that purpose by said Mayor and Council.

RULE 2. That the SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT shall select its own officers from its eighteen members, reporting to the Mayor and Council a list of its membership, also the names of its officers. They shall hold annual and monthly meetings, annual meetings on the third Wednesday in January and monthly meetings on the first Wednesday in each and every month.

RULE 3. That the SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT shall make by-laws for their own government, submitting a copy of the same to the Mayor and Council for their approval.

RULE 4. That the officers of the SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, one Chief and one Assistant Chief, and such other officers as they may require.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE SNOW HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 1, 1912.

William G. Kerbin, president; William S. Parsons, vice-president; George W. Vincent, secretary and treasurer; Charles W. Corddry, chief; Walter C. Turner, assistant chief; C. P. Smith, J. H. Perdue, George H. Corddry, Charles E. Tilghman, S. J. Jarman, L. C. Tilghman, E. W. Parsons, James M. Wilson, William Sturgis, Glenn Evans, P. K. Sturgis, E. J. Dashiell, Otho W. Wilson.

ORDINANCES

OF

SNOW HILL, MARYLAND

Passed and Approved April 1, 1912

ORDINANCE NO. 1.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any person, persons, firm, corporation or association to build, erect or construct, or remove from one location to another, any dwelling, shop, factory, store or any other building within the corporate limits of Snow Hill, Maryland, without first making application to and receiving from the Mayor and Council of said town a written permit so to do, and before granting such permit the said Mayor and Council may require that plans and specifications for proposed building, together with a full statement as to the purposes of the same, be submitted; and they may at their discretion reject any and all applications and any and all plans so submitted, and refuse to grant a permit for any such building to be erected or removed; and any and all permits granted shall be signed by the Mayor and attested by the secretary, and no permits shall be granted for the erection of any building within the following limits: Commencing at the intersection of Willow street and Strawberry alley and running by and with said Strawberry alley in a southeasterly direction across

the property of George S. Payne to Market street; thence in a northerly direction by and with Market street; thence in a northerly direction by and with Market street to the west corner of the property of Thomas P. Selby, known as the "Franklin Property"; thence in a southeasterly direction by and with the line dividing the said Franklin property from the Presbyterian Church yard to a point intersected by drawing a straight line from Court House avenue in a southwesterly direction; thence by and with said line in a northwesterly direction to Washington street and continuing northeasterly in a straight line across Washington street and the property of William H. Jones to the property of Oscar M. Purnell; thence by and with the property of said Oscar M. Purnell in a northwesterly direction to Market street, continuing across Market street in a line parallel with Washington street to the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad switch tracks; thence southwesterly by and with said railroad tracks to Bank street; thence southeasterly by and with said Bank street to Willow street; thence by and with Willow street to the beginning—unless the same be of brick, stone, iron or some other non-combustible material; and if more than one story, the walls to second floor shall not be less than thirteen inches; and if three stories high, they shall be thirteen inches to third floor and not less than nine inches thick above that line. Any one violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this section of this ordinance shall, upon conviction before any justice of the peace of Worcester county, pay a fine of ten dollars, and each and every day any such building remains in violation of this section of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offence punishable by an additional fine of one dollar for each and every day so long as said violation shall continue, with cost of prosecution, and upon default in payment of such fine and cost, to be committed by the said justice of the peace to the County Jail until such fine and costs are paid.

SECTION 2. *Be it enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That no awning shall be constructed over any sidewalk within the limits described in Section 1 of this ordinance unless the said awning is made of tin or iron or some other non-combustible material and with iron posts.

SECTION 3. *Be it enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That no cellar head shall be constructed at an elevation above the surrounding sidewalks, but shall be built flush with said sidewalks or pavements.

SECTION 4. *Be it enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That all chimneys or flues shall be built from the ground and shall not be less than four inches in thickness. Any one violating any of the provisions of Sections 2, 3 and 4 of this ordinance shall, upon conviction before any justice of the peace of Worcester county, forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars, and the further sum of one dollar for each and every day so long as said violation continues, with cost of prosecution, and upon default in payment of such fine and cost to be committed by the said justice of the peace to the County Jail until such fine and costs are paid.

SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 2.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, corporation, partnership, association or society to maintain, suffer or permit to be maintained on the sidewalks in Snow Hill on Market street from Pearl street to Washington street, and on Washington street from Market street to the Pocomoke River Bridge, and on Bank street from Market street to the Pocomoke River, any awning pole or post nearer the established building line than the present location of the telephone and electric light poles on said parts of said streets; and all such awning poles now within said prohibited lines are declared to be a public nuisance as an obstruction to the public highways and shall be abated as such on the failure of the owner or owners thereof to remove same within ten days after written notice served on such owner or owners so to remove same within ten days after such notice, and hereafter no pole or poles of any character shall be placed in any of the sidewalks of the town without permission therefor from, and the location thereof approved by, the Mayor and Council.

SECTION 2. *Be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That all awnings, sheds, roofs or other structures or erections now extending over any of the sidewalks of Snow Hill be inspected under the direction of the Mayor and Council, and that all that are found to be unsafe or dangerous to the public be declared a nuisance as a menace to the public safety and shall be abated as such on the failure of the owner or owners thereof to remove same within ten days after written notice served on such owner or owners so to remove same within ten days after such notice, and hereafter no awning, roof, shed or other structure or erection shall be placed over any of the sidewalks of the town without permission therefor from, and the location thereof approved, by the Mayor and Council.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Worcester county, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than ten dollars and costs of prosecution, or shall stand committed to the County Jail until such fine is paid, but such confinement in the County Jail shall not exceed thirty days.

SECTION 4. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 3.

AN ORDINANCE to protect the public health of the inhabitants of Snow Hill by requiring the burning of all weeds and other noxious or useless plants within certain periods.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That between the fifteenth day of September and the fifteenth day of October in each year, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, corporation or corporations, association or associations, society or societies, being the owner, lessee, licensee, tenant or otherwise lawfully in possession or in right of possession of any lot or lots, tract or tracts, parcel or parcels, of land within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill, to suffer, permit or allow any weeds or other noxious or useless plants to remain or grow upon his, her, their or its premises within the corporate limits of Snow Hill, and it shall be the duty of such person or persons, corporation or corporations, association or associations, society or societies, being the owner, lessee, licensee, tenant or otherwise lawfully in possession or in right of possession, before the fifteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and ten, and between the first day of September and the fifteenth day of September in each and every year thereafter, to gather, collect, cut down or cause to be cut down and immediately destroyed by fire all weeds or other noxious or useless plants then growing or being on the respective premises of said person or persons, corporation or corporations, association or associations, society or societies, being the owner, lessee, licensee, tenant or otherwise lawfully in possession or in right of possession, so as to prevent the decay of the same and the consequent danger to the public health, and any person or persons, corporation or corporations, association or associations, society or societies, being the owner, lessee, licensee, tenant or otherwise lawfully in possession or in right of possession, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof before any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Worcester county, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars and costs of prosecution, and in default of payment of any fine so imposed the offender shall be, in the discretion of the Justice, imprisoned in the County Jail for a period not exceeding thirty days or until such fine is paid.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained,* That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 4.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any horse, mule, cow, ox, sheep, hog, goose or other animal to run at large on the streets, alleys or unenclosed lots of the

town of Snow Hill; and be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the policeman of the town to take into his custody such animal or animals running at large as aforesaid, and to empound the same, and if the said policeman knows the owner of said animal or animals he shall immediately notify such owner or owners, who, before he be allowed to recover said animal or animals, shall pay unto said policeman the sum of fifty cents for each animal so taken into his custody and the cost of keeping said animal or animals while empounded. If the owner or owners of said animal or animals cannot be found, or if the owner refuses to pay the cost of taking and keeping such animal or animals, then it shall be lawful for the said policeman to sell said animal or animals, or so many thereof as may be necessary to pay the costs aforesaid, at public auction, for cash, in front of the Court House in the town of Snow Hill, after giving at least five days' public notice of such sale by written handbills posted in at least four public places in the town of Snow Hill, in which said notice shall be given the time, place and terms of sale and description of property; and any person, being the owner or agent of the owner of such animal or animals, who shall wilfully permit such animal or animals to run at large, in addition to the cost of taking and empounding aforesaid, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined not less than fifty cents nor more than five dollars for each offence, and costs of prosecution, or imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding five days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 5.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any horse, cow, ox, sheep or other animal to graze on the streets of the town of Snow Hill, or on any unenclosed lot in the limits of said town, and any person being the owner or having the custody of any horse, cow, ox, sheep or other animal, who shall permit such grazing shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined not less than fifty cents nor more than five dollars for each offence, and costs of prosecution, in the discretion of the Justice, and to stand committed to the County Jail until fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 6.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to hinder or obstruct the free passage of persons passing by and along any public street in the town of Snow Hill, or to disturb any neighborhood in said town by loud and unseemly noises, or to profanely curse and swear, or use obscene language upon or near to any such street within the hearing of persons passing by, and any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars, with costs of prosecution, or imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than thirty days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor,

ORDINANCE NO. 7.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to ride or drive any horse, mule, ox or cow on the sidewalks of the town of Snow Hill, or obstruct the same by placing any box, barrel, coop or peanut roaster upon any of the streets or sidewalks of the town, and any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined not less than one dollar and not more than five dollars, in the discretion of the Justice, together with costs of prosecution, and to stand committed to the County Jail until fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 8.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to bathe in a nude condition in the daytime in the Pocomoke River between what is known as "Timmons's Meadow" and the north end of what is known as the "First Cut." Any person

violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined fifty cents and costs of prosecution, and to stand committed to the County Jail until fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 9.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to drive or ride through the streets of the town of Snow Hill at a greater speed than six miles an hour. Any person violating the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined one dollar and costs of prosecution, and to stand committed to the County Jail until fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 10.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to fire any gun, pistol, fire-cracker or other firearms or fireworks within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill. Any person violating the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined one dollar and costs of prosecution or imprisoned in the County Jail for a period not exceeding five days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 11.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to throw any refuse of any kind on the streets of the town of Snow Hill, and any person violating the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction before any justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined fifty cents and costs of prosecution, and to stand committed to the County Jail till fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 12.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to hitch any horse, mule or team of any kind to any tree, fence, gate or awning post in the town of Snow Hill, or to feed any horse, mule or team of any kind on the streets or any unenclosed lot in said town. Any person violating the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined one dollar for each offence, or imprisonment in the County jail not exceeding three days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 13.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to throw any ball, brick or other missile on the streets of the town of Snow Hill. Any person thus offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of Worcester county shall be fined fifty cents for each and every offence, and cost of prosecution, or imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding three days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 14.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any hawker or peddler to barter or sell or offer to barter or sell within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill any goods, wares or merchandise, or for any itinerant person to dispense patent medicines or give medical advice until he shall have first obtained from the Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Councilmen a license therefor, for which the sum of ten dollars shall be paid for each and every week that such person shall be engaged in hawking or peddling or dispensing patent medicines or giving medical advice as aforesaid. Any one violating the provisions hereof, upon conviction before a justice of the peace of Worcester county, shall be fined not less than five dollars and not more than twenty dollars, or confinement in the County Jail for not less than one day or more than twenty days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 15.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive any horse or other draft animal geared to a cart commonly known as a horse-cart upon any of the streets of the town of Snow Hill faster than a walk.

Any person or persons violating this ordinance, upon conviction before any justice of the peace of Worcester county, shall be fined not less than one dollar (\$1.00) nor more than ten dollars (\$10.00) for each offense, in the discretion of the Justice, with costs of prosecution, and upon default in the payment of said fine and costs to be committed to the County Jail till such fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 16.

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the driving and operating of motor vehicles within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill, Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, a body corporate of the State of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person to drive, operate or run a motor vehicle upon any of the streets, avenues or highways of the town of Snow Hill, Maryland, at a rate of speed exceeding twelve miles per hour on a straight and open street, avenue or highway, and at a rate of speed not exceeding six miles per hour at and upon all sharp curves and at the intersection of all streets, avenues or highways in said town of Snow Hill.

SECTION 2. *Be it further enacted,* That every motor vehicle shall carry during the period from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise at least two lighted lamps showing white lights visible at least two hundred feet in the direction in which said motor vehicle is proceeding and shall exhibit at least one red light visible in the reverse direction, and every motor vehicle shall be provided with good and efficient brakes and shall also be provided with suitable bell, horn or other signal device.

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted and ordained,* That upon approaching a person walking on the street or highway or a horse or other draught animal being ridden, led or driven thereon, the person operating a motor vehicle shall give reasonable warning of its approach by signaling with horn or other device and shall reduce the speed of such motor vehicle to a speed not exceeding six miles per hour while near to and passing such animals so ridden, led or driven as afore-said, and it shall be the duty of the person so riding, leading or driving such horse or other animal when approached from the rear, if practicable, to turn to the right of the center of the street, avenue or highway, leaving a clear space for such motor vehicle to pass. If such horse or other draught animal shall appear frightened at the approach of said motor vehicle, whether approaching from the front or rear, or if the person in charge of such animal shall signal by raising his or her hand the person in charge of said motor vehicle, if going towards such horse or in the opposite direction, shall guide the motor vehicle as far as practicable to the side of the street or highway and bring the same to a stop and remain standing until the person in charge of such horse or other animal can drive or alight and lead his or her horse by; or if going in the same direction shall reduce the speed of such motor vehicle and bring the same to a stop until such person in charge of said horse or other draught animal shall have had a reasonable time to alight if desired, and shall lead the said horse or other draught animal or otherwise control same. The horn or other signal device shall be used only for the purpose of giving signal of approach, and shall not be sounded while passing a horse or other draught animal. The horn or other signal device shall be sounded when approaching all street, avenue or highway intersections, and also shall be sounded when approaching and turning sharp curves in any street, avenue or highway in said town. Any person operating any motor vehicle within the corporate limits of said town upon the streets and highways thereof

shall always drive or run said motor vehicle on the right side of the street or highway whenever same is possible and not so prevented by teams or other obstacles on the said streets and highways.

SECTION 4. *Be it further enacted and ordained*, That any person violating the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall, upon conviction before any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Worcester county, be fined the sum of five dollars for the first offense and the sum of ten dollars for each and every offense thereafter, and stand committed to the County Jail until said fine and costs are paid, provided that the term of imprisonment shall not exceed a period of thirty days for any one offense; and any person violating any of the provisions of Sections 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall, upon conviction before any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Worcester county, be fined the sum of one dollar for the first offense and the sum of two dollars for each and every offense thereafter and stand committed to the County Jail until said fine and costs are paid, provided said imprisonment in any one case shall not exceed a period of thirty days; one-half of all fines to be payable to the informer.

And any person feeling aggrieved at the decision of the justice of the peace in any case under this ordinance shall have the right of an appeal to the Circuit Court for Worcester County as in civil cases for debt before such justices of the peace.

SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 17.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, a body corporate of the State of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person to ride a bicycle on any of the sidewalks of the following streets within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill, Maryland: Federal street from Bay street to Ross alley, Market street from Bay street to Morris street, Washington street from the River Bridge to Powell street, Green street from Washington street to Bank street, Bay street from Market street to the Pennsylvania Railroad, Morris street from Market to Federal street, Bank street from Green street to Market street, Pearl street, Church street and Franklin street.

SECTION 2. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill, a body corporate of the State of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person to ride a bicycle on any of the streets or sidewalks of the town of Snow Hill, Maryland, during the period of from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise without having attached to such bicycle a lighted lamp.

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted and ordained*, That any person violating the provisions of Section 1 or Section 2 of this ordinance shall, upon conviction of the same before any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland for Worcester county, be fined the sum of one dollar for the first offense and the sum of five dollars for each and every offense thereafter and stand committed to the County Jail until said fines and costs are paid, provided that such term of imprisonment shall not exceed thirty days for any one offense; one-half of all fines to be payable to the informer.

SECTION 4. *Be it further enacted*, That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 18.

AN ORDINANCE Requiring the Paving of Certain Streets in the Town of Snow Hill, Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That all owners of real estate abutting on any of the following streets be and they are hereby ordered and directed, within six months after the passage of this ordinance, to pave the sidewalks in front of such real estate as may hereinafter be directed, said paving to be done under the direction of the Mayor and Council: All owners of real estate abutting on Federal street between Ross's alley and Bay street are required to pave, at their own cost and expense, all sidewalks in front of said real estate with hard paving brick, or cement blocks, or cement concrete, the outside of which pavement shall be sixty inches from the building line of such real estate, which said building line shall be established by the Mayor and Council, and the height and fall of all pavements to conform to the street or gutter curbs as set by said Mayor and Council; which pavements, if of hard brick or cement blocks, shall be sixty inches wide, and if of cement concrete may be forty-eight inches wide.

All owners of real estate abutting on Washington street between Federal street and Market street are required to pave, at their own cost and expense, the sidewalks in front of their property in the same manner and of the same material as are herein specified for Federal street, except that the outside of such pavements must be sixty-six inches from the building line, which pavements, if of hard brick or cement blocks, must be sixty-six inches wide, but if of cement concrete may be fifty-four inches wide.

All owners of real estate abutting on Washington street between Market street and the river switch of the D., M. & V. Railroad, and on Market street between Washington street and Bank street, and on Bank street from Market street to Green street, and on Green street from Bank street to Washington street and on Pearl street from Green street to Market street are required to pave at their own

cost and expense all sidewalks in front of said real estate solidly from the building line to the outside of street curb to be established and set by the Mayor and Council, the height and fall of said pavements to conform to said curb to be established and set as aforesaid. The material to be used as specified for Federal street.

All owners of real estate abutting on Market street between Bank street and Morris street are required to pave, at their own cost and expense, the sidewalks in front of their property in the same manner and of the same material as are hereinbefore specified for Federal street.

All owners of real estate abutting on Franklin street, and on Church street between Market street and Martin street, and on Washington street between Federal street and Belt street, and on southwest side of Bay street from the tracks of the P., B. & W. R. R. and Market street, and on Court street between Franklin and Washington streets on northwest side are required to pave, at their own cost and expense, within six months after the passage of this ordinance, all sidewalks in front of said real estate of the same material and the same width as specified for Federal street, the height of all pavements to conform to the crown of the street or as may be directed by said Mayor and Council.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That when any of the pavements hereinbefore provided for shall need repairs, the owners thereof are required, upon notice given by the Mayor and Council, to make the necessary repairs within a reasonable time, and if said owner or owners neglect or refuse to make said repairs, the same may be made by the Mayor and Council and the cost thereof collected as hereinbefore provided for.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That if any such owner or owners as aforesaid shall refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of this ordinance and shall not pave or repair as directed in front of his, her or their property within the time specified, proposals for the performance of the said work will be requested and the same will be done by contract under the direction of the Mayor and Council, and said contract price shall become a lien against said property, collectable by action at law.

SECTION 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

ORDINANCE NO. 19.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, corporation, partnership, association or society to exhibit or cause to be exhibited at any place within the corporate limits of Snow Hill any images or pageantry, sleight of hand tricks, puppet shows or any feats of personal agility or strength, or any theatrical or motion picture entertainment, or merry-go-round, or circus and menagerie, or

either, or side shows connected with a circus, without a license from the Mayor and Council having first been obtained from the Secretary and Treasurer of said Mayor and Council; provided, however, that if the proceeds of any such entertainment are intended for any charitable purposes no license will be required. The fees for such license under the provisions of this ordinance shall be as follows: For any of the above forms of entertainment, except circuses and side shows connected with circuses, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for the first day and one dollar for each day thereafter; provided, however, a special license may be granted by the Mayor and Council covering a period of a month or more for such sum as they may agree upon, which license fee shall be paid in advance for the time specified; for any circus whose price for general admission for adults is twenty-five cents the sum of fifteen dollars per day, and for each side show accompanying said circus the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per day; and for a circus whose price for general admission for adults is fifty cents, the sum of twenty-five dollars, and the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each side show accompanying such circus.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Worcester county, shall be fined not less than five dollars or more than fifty dollars and costs of prosecution, or confined in the County Jail for not exceeding thirty days, or both, in the discretion of the Justice.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid,* That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

ORDINANCE NO. 20.

RELATING TO THE USE OF WATER IN THE TOWN OF SNOW HILL.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill,* That there shall be appointed by the Mayor and Council on the first day of July, 1912, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in January of each and every year, a committee of three of its members to be entitled the Water Committee, who shall exercise a general superintendence and charge of the water works and sewers of the town; to whose direction the Superintendent of the Water Works shall conform, unless otherwise directed by ordinance or resolution of the Mayor and Council; and the Mayor and Council shall have power to fill any vacancies which may at any time occur in said Water Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT.

SECTION 2. There shall be elected by the Mayor and Council annually on the first Monday in June a Superintendent of the Water Works, who shall serve for one year from the first of July ensuing, unless sooner removed by the Mayor and Council, who shall have power to remove the said Superintendent at any time. He shall receive such compensation for his services as counsel shall determine. He shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties as the

Mayor and Council may require, and shall make monthly report to the Water Committee of all moneys received by him and for what purpose, and of the amount of water pumped, and of the amount of fuel and other supplies consumed, of all material purchased or used and for what purposes, and of all work done and necessary to be done, and shall make annual report to the Water Committee on the first Monday of the month of May of all the operations, transactions and business connected with the water works, and shall conform to the ordinances and resolutions of the Mayor and Council and the orders and directions of the Water Committee.

INTRODUCTION.

SECTION 3. All applications for the introduction of water into any premises or its supply for any purpose, or for the extension of any private pipe for the conveyance of such water, must be made in writing on the books of the Superintendent of the Water Works, or to such person as may be authorized by the Water Committee to receive such applications; and shall be made at least one day before ground shall be broken for the purpose or before the work shall be commenced; and after the owner of the property to be supplied, or his or her authorized agent, shall have properly signed the books of the water works the Superintendent or other authorized person shall issue a permit for the required supply, in which permit the date, the name of the owner of the property to be supplied and to whom issued, the location of said property, the size and diameter of the corporation cock, whether the attachment is to be made to a public or private pipe, the purpose for which the water is to be used, and the rates shall be specified; and the said Superintendent or other person authorized by the Water Committee shall keep a list of all persons to whom such permits have been issued and who have contracted for a supply of water. At the time of issuing a permit for an attachment to a public main, the Superintendent, or other authorized person, shall furnish a corporation cock of the size named in said permit, and shall within two days after receiving notice tap the public main and attach the corporation cock thereto; and the person obtaining the permit shall pay the sum of two dollars for said corporation cock and for attaching it to the public main; and before the water shall be turned into any private pipe the water rent in full to the commencement of the succeeding quarter shall be paid. All persons obtaining permits for attachment to private pipes shall, if intended for a supply to new premises or purposes, pay two dollars for each permit, and if intended for the extension of pipes or fixtures for premises or purposes already supplied, fifty cents shall be paid for such permit, and the water rent in full shall in all cases be paid in advance to the commencement of the succeeding quarter.

PENALTY.

SECTION 4. If any person shall, without a permit from the Superintendent or other person authorized by the Water Committee to issue such permit, introduce a corporation cock into any public or private pipes, or form any connection or communication whatever with said pipes, or break ground for that or any similar purpose in the public streets or alleys, or if any person or persons shall introduce or use a corporation cock of a larger diameter or make any attachment, or do

anything otherwise than is specified in his, her or their permit, he, she or they so offending shall forfeit and pay for each and every such offense a fine of twenty dollars.

PIPE REGULATION.

SECTION 5. Any person or persons who may hereafter contract for a supply of water shall cause the pipes conducting the same from the corporation cock in the main pipe to the curb stopcock to be of galvanized iron pipes, and the pipe and fixtures on private premises shall be of such strength as will prevent accidents from leakage and waste of water; and the said Superintendent of Water Works, or other authorized person, is forbidden to attach a corporation cock, or permit any other person to attach the same, to pipe of different quality from that required by this ordinance. All connections shall be supplied with a good and sufficient stopcocks, which shall be covered with a good and sufficient box leading from the same to the surface of the sidewalk, the cover of the same to have the word "Water" thereon, and to be placed on the sidewalk within one foot of the curb; all pipes, stopcocks and other fixtures used to be subject to the inspection and approval of the Superintendent; and every person who may be supplied with water from a branch connected with a private pipe shall have a sufficient stopcock affixed to the said branch pipe as near as conveniently as may be to the said private pipe so as to stop the supply of water through the said branch pipe, when required, and not intercept the supply of water to other persons having a right to use the private pipe with which such connection may be formed; and every person who may be supplied with water from a private pipe having branches connected therewith as aforesaid shall in like manner have a sufficient stopcock affixed to such private pipe for the purpose aforesaid. Said pipes, stopcocks and other fixtures to be subject to the inspection and approval of the Superintendent, and in case of neglect or refusal to have such stopcocks affixed as aforesaid, every person so offending shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars; and the Water Committee shall have power to direct the Superintendent or other authorized person to detach the corporation cock of such person from the public main. No person, except the Superintendent, or person authorized by the Water Committee, shall be allowed to stop off or turn on the water in the public mains, or to turn on the water at any of the aforesaid stopcocks; and all plumbers or other persons engaged in making attachments thereto must leave the stopcocks closed. The corporation cock in the public main and the pipe and curb and stopcock attached thereto, and all like fixtures between the public mains and private pipes or fixtures, either on public or private property, are to be under the charge of and subject to the direction of the Water Committee, and are to be kept in good condition at the expense of the owner or owners of premises supplied.

FINE.

SECTION 6. If any person or persons, except the Superintendent or other authorized person, shall open or close the stopcocks or valves in any public or private pipe under the charge of the Water Committee, he, she or they, for every such offense, shall forfeit and pay a fine of ten dollars.

SUPPLY.

SECTION 7. No person or persons shall supply water to others except by special permission from the Water Committee. Of every person so offending the supply of water will be stopped and the rent already paid forfeited. The person or persons so offending shall also forfeit and pay a fine of twenty dollars.

PRIVILEGE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

SECTION 8. The Superintendent or other person authorized by the Water Committee shall at all reasonable hours have free access to all parts of the premises to which water is supplied, for the purpose of inspection, examination of fixtures, etc., and any person or persons who shall resist or refuse to allow such free access shall forfeit and pay a fine of twenty dollars.

RENT.

SECTION 9. If any person or persons shall use or permit to be used on his, her or their premises any water for any purpose, without first having paid a rent for said purpose, or if any person or persons shall use, or permit to be used, on his, her or their premises, any of the said water, contrary to any of the ordinances of the said town, or any of the rules and regulations relating to the use of water, every person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay for each and every offense a fine of ten dollars.

CONTRACT.

SECTION 10. Every contract that may or shall be made by the Water Committee with any person or persons for a supply of water by a private pipe shall be deemed and considered a permanent contract, unless either party desire to make a new contract at the termination of any year, in which case the Water Committee, or the person or persons using the water, as the case may be, shall have power, by giving three months' notice in writing to the opposite party, to annul and make void the existing contract at the end of any one year.

PERMIT.

SECTION 11. All permits shall be granted upon the express condition that if, from any cause, the supply of water should fail, the town shall not be held liable for any damages which shall arise in consequence thereof.

REPAIR.

SECTION 12. All persons who may be supplied with water from any of the town mains shall keep their own service pipe, stopcocks and apparatus in good order and repair and protected from frost at their own risk and expense, and shall prevent all unnecessary waste of water; and it is expressly stipulated that no claim shall be made against the town by reason of the breaking of any service pipe or service cock or other fixtures, or from damage arising from shutting off water to repair main or make private connection with same. Provided, that notice shall be given to persons using water for steam purposes.

STOPPED.

SECTION 13. In all cases where the water has been turned off for non-payment of water rent, or for the violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance, or any of the rules and regulations relating to the use of water, it shall not be turned on again until all the expenses attending the turning off and on of the water, together with the rent and fine and penalty that may be due, be paid. If it is found that the water has been turned on again without compliance with the above requirements, it shall be lawful for the Water Committee to cause the corporation cock to be drawn, and it shall not be inserted again until all back rents and fines and penalties are paid and five (5) dollars for drawing and replacing the corporation cock.

HOW LAID.

SECTION 14. All private pipes shall be laid a depth of not less than two feet below the surface of the ground; and every plumber or other person employed in laying such private pipes shall, for each neglect of the provisions herein contained, forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars and be liable for the expense incurred in taking up and relaying such private pipes of the required depth; and that in all cases where an opening shall be made in any of the streets, lanes or alleys of said town for the purpose of connecting any private pipe with the public main, or of extending, repairing, renewing or removing the said private pipe, the opening shall be filled up as soon as the circumstances will permit, and the roadbed or surfaces of the streets and the paving and curbs firmly relaid and fixed in good order at the sole cost of the owner of the said private line; and any person who shall neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars.

PLUMBERS.

SECTION 15. In case any plumber or other person shall open or close any of the stopcocks or valves under the charge of the Water Committee, without being duly authorized by the Water Committee or the Superintendent of the Water Works, he or they, for every offense, shall forfeit and pay a fine of ten dollars.

WASTE.

SECTION 16. If any person shall permit the water to flow unnecessarily from any part of a private pipe or fixtures thereof, or shall permit any waste of water on his or her premises, or the premises by him or her occupied, either within a building or enclosure or any street, court or alley, such person shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of five dollars; and in all cases where several premises receive a supply of water by branches, hydrants or other fixtures, uniting with a common pipe, each and every person who may receive the water shall be bound to keep such common pipe in repair, and in case of waste by leak or leaks therefrom, or from any other cause, shall be severally liable to forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars; and if at any time it shall be necessary to repair a private pipe within the limits of any street, court or alley, a permit shall be first taken out for so doing, and the expenses for repaving and repairs shall be paid by such owner or occupier.

REPAIRS.

SECTION 17. The Superintendent or other person authorized by the Water Committee shall be authorized to inquire at any dwelling or other place where any unnecessary waste of water proceeds into the cause of the same, and if said waste arises from want of repair in the pipes or other fixtures, and if the owner or occupier of said dwelling or place shall neglect or refuse, upon twenty-four hours' notice being given, to have the necessary repairs made forthwith, the said Superintendent or other authorized person shall be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to shut off the water leading to such place or dwelling; and any person who shall let on the water before the necessary repairs are made shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars.

EVASIONS.

SECTION 18. In case the Water Committee or Superintendent of the Water Works shall have reason to believe that there is actual or probable evasion or disregard of the provisions of any ordinances, rules or regulations relating to the distribution of water in any building, lot of ground or premises into or through which pipes for conducting a supply of water may be laid, it shall and may be lawful for the Superintendent of the Water Works, or other person authorized by the Water Committee, to enter at all times into such building, lot of ground or premises, for the purpose of examining the pipes of conduit or other fixtures and ascertaining whether the same are in proper order and repair, and for cutting off the pipes of communications, or shutting off the stopcocks, or detaching the corporation cocks where delinquencies occur in the payment of water rents; and any person who shall turn on the water, or cause the same to be turned on without authority, shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of twenty dollars.

HORSE TROUGH.

SECTION 19. Any person or persons allowing water to flow into and from any horse trough or other fixtures used for watering horses or cattle, when not in actual use, shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars for each and every offense.

FOUNTAIN.

SECTION 20. No fountain or jet shall be used longer than five hours a day for six months in a year without a special agreement with the Water Committee; and the application shall state at what hours it shall be used, and if found running at any other time the water will be shut off from the premises and the owner or occupier shall forfeit and pay for such waste of water a fine of five dollars.

PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANT.

SECTION 21. Any person or persons who shall open or use any fire hydrant for building purposes, street sprinkling or supply of shipping, or any other purpose, except for the extinguishment of fire in the neighborhood, or shall permit any person in his employ to open or use any fire hydrant, except as aforesaid, without a permit for that purpose, shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of fifteen dollars.

OBSTRUCTING SAME.

SECTION 22. Any person or persons who shall obstruct the access to any fire hydrant, stop-valve or other fixture connected with the supply of water to the town by placing thereon, or within ten feet thereof, stone, brick, lumber, dirt or any other material to be so placed by any in their employ, shall forfeit and pay a fine of ten dollars for each offense; and if he, she or they neglect or refuse to remove the same forthwith, after notice given by the Water Committee, Superintendent or other authorized person, the said Water Committee, Superintendent or other authorized person may remove the same, and the expenses attending such removal shall be paid by the party so offending.

STEAM PUMPS.

SECTION 23. That where it is desired to supply steam pumps, the owner or occupant of the property shall provide a tank into which the water shall be discharged before going to the pump, and no direct communication with the street mains will be allowed.

WRENCHES.

SECTION 24. The wrenches of the fire hydrants shall be in charge of such persons as may be designated by the Water Committee, and the fire hydrants shall not be opened for any purpose except for the extinguishment of fires, except by permission of the said Committee, and any person opening said fire hydrant without such permission shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of five dollars; and if the person or persons entrusted with the wrenches of the fire hydrants shall fail to close the said fire hydrants as soon as the fire is extinguished, the person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of five dollars.

DAMAGE.

SECTION 25. That if any person or persons shall break, injure or do any damage whatever to any boiler, pump or machinery, or to the pumping station or other structure, or to any pipe, valve, stopcock, fire hydrant or other fixtures or appurtenances appertaining to or connected with the water works, or shall throw or put any stones, earth, filth or any foreign matter or substance whatever into the standpipe, wells or waterways or courses, or shall dig or break the earth in any of the roads, streets, lanes, alleys or grounds for the purpose of disturbing, moving or injuring the pipes or other fixtures or appurtenances, or of obstructing the passage of water through the same, every person so offending shall forfeit and pay for every such offense a fine of twenty dollars and be imprisoned for a term not exceeding ten days.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

SECTION 26. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to change the rules and regulations and the rates for the use of water from time to time; to make special rates or contracts in all proper cases; to shut off the water for alterations,

extensions and repairs, and to stop and restrict the supply of water whenever it may be found necessary; and the town shall not be liable under any circumstances for a deficiency or failure in the supply of water, whether occasioned by shutting off water to make repairs or connections or for any other cause whatsoever; and to attach meters at any time they may deem it expedient, and to thereafter charge for the quantity of water measured or used and to make reasonable charges for the use of such meters.

WATER RENTS.

SECTION 27. All water rents shall be payable to the Superintendent of Water Works, or other person authorized by the Water Committee, at his office, quarterly in advance, on or before the first of January, April, July and October; upon all water rents unpaid as above required the said Water Committee shall cause the water to be stopped off or the corporation cock of all such delinquent water tenants to be detached from the main, and after such water is stopped off or the corporation cock shall be detached the water shall not again be supplied or furnished the said premises, except upon payment of all arrears of water rent and all expenses incurred.

WATER RATES.

SECTION 28. That the prices to be paid per annum for the use of the water furnished from the water works of said town shall be as follows:

DWELLINGS.

Hydrant or sink in yard or kitchen or first opening.....	\$3.60
Hydrant in both yard and kitchen.....	4.60
Bath, hot or cold water or both.....	3.00
Water closet, self-acting.....	3.00
Water closet, pan valve or reservoir.....	2.00
Urinal	2.00
Bibet or hot bath or laundry tub.....	1.00
Stationary wash stand, cold or hot water or both.....	1.00
Stationary wash tub.....	1.00
Pave wash, wall wash or street wash.....	1.00
Screw nozzle or coupling on hydrant in kitchen, where no wash pave is charged	1.00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Hydrant or one faucet.....	\$6.00
Wash basin or sink.....	6.00
Water closet, self-acting.....	6.00
Water closet, pan valve or reservoir.....	3.00
Urinal	6.00

HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES.

Hydrant for drinking purposes.....	\$6.00
Wash basin.....	3.00
Sink	5.00
Bath for use of boarders.....	6.00
Water closet, self-acting.....	6.00
Water closet, pan valve or reservoir.....	3.00
Stationary wash tub.....	5.00
Hydrant in yard or kitchen, hotel use.....	6.00
Hydrant in both yard and kitchen, hotel use.....	8.00
Horse trough.....	10.00
Urinal	4.00
Public bath, each tub.....	9.00
Bakery, one faucet.....	6.00
Confectionery, one faucet.....	6.00
Ice cream saloon, one faucet.....	6.00
Barber shop, one faucet.....	5.00
Drug store, one faucet.....	6.00
Restaurant, one faucet.....	6.00
Slaughter house, one faucet.....	10.00
Photograph rooms, one faucet.....	6.00
Printing office, one faucet.....	6.00
Stores and offices, one faucet, not less than.....	3.60
Blacksmith shop, one fire, one faucet.....	5.00
Each additional fire, one faucet.....	2.00
Carriage maker or wheelwright shop, one faucet.....	5.00
Shops generally, one faucet, not less than.....	3.60
Green house, one faucet, not less than.....	10.00
Nursery, one faucet, not less than.....	10.00
Twenty per centum additional for each additional faucet.	
These rates are exclusive of charge for dwelling.	
Shops and manufactories may be rated by the Water Committee for one faucet as follows and twenty per centum additional for each additional faucet, exclusive of dwelling:	
Under five persons employed.....	5.00
Over five persons, for each additional person.....	1.00
Boarding schools according to attachments and quantity of water used, or at the rate of one dollar per annum for each person, at the option of the Water Committee.	
Hospitals and like establishments at same rates as boarding schools.	
Public schools, one faucet.....	5.00
Each additional faucet.....	1.00

STABLES.

One horse or cow.....	\$1.00
One carriage or automobile.....	1.00
Each additional horse, cow, carriage or automobile.....	.50

STEAM ENGINES.

Per horse power, for boiler only..... \$1.00

RAILROADS.

For use of depot or station, one faucet.....\$10.00
 For each additional faucet..... 2.50
 Locomotives, each..... 50.00

BUILDING PURPOSES.

Lime, per bushel..... .02
 By meter measurement or estimated quantity:
 Under five thousand gallons per day, per thousand gallons..... .20
 Over five thousand gallons per day, per thousand gallons..... .15
 Meters will be attached when deemed necessary by the Water Committee,
 and their use will be charged for at the rate of ten per centum per annum,
 together with the cost of attaching the same.

FOUNTAINS.

Flowing five hours per day for six months of the year:
 Jet of 1/16 inch diameter..... \$7.50
 Jet of 1/8 inch diameter..... 10.00
 Jet of 1/4 inch diameter..... 20.00
 Jet of 1/2 inch diameter..... 40.00
 For a flow of water twelve hours per day:
 From a 1/2 inch ferrule, per annum.....200.00
 From a 3/4 inch ferrule, per annum.....450.00
 From a 1 inch ferrule, per annum.....800.00
 Fire hydrants on private property (to be used for fire purposes only),
 each\$25.00 to 75.00
 Rates for the use of water not enumerated above, and for all special purposes,
 will be fixed and determined by the Water Committee.

PLUMBERS.

SECTION 29. Any person desiring to do any plumbing work within the corporate limits of Snow Hill shall exhibit to the Superintendent of the Water Works, or the Water Committee, or any authorized person, a Master Plumber's certificate issued by the Maryland State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbers, having passed an examination as provided by Chapter 436 of the Acts of Assembly of 1910, and all plumbing work within said corporate limits shall be done in the manner provided by the laws of the State and ordinances, rules and regulations governing construction of plumbing and house drainage done in the City of Baltimore.

SEWERS.

SECTION 30. Any person who may desire to tap the sewer known as the "Church Street Sewer" shall pay the sum of fifty dollars for permission so to do before tapping same.

CESSPOOLS.

SECTION 31. No person shall build any cesspool or pit within the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill without first having obtained from the Superintendent or Water Works Committee permission to build such cesspool or pit.

SECTION 32. That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AT THE SAME TIME AS THE PASSAGE OF THE ABOVE ORDINANCE.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the Water Works is hereby instructed to charge the sum of fifty cents for shutting off the water from any unoccupied premises, except when shut off for temporary purposes, and also a like sum for turning on the water again after it has been shut off.

ORDINANCE NO. 21.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill*, That all ordinances passed and approved prior to the first day of April, 1912, be, and the same are hereby, repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect or interfere with the prosecution of any violation or violations of any of said ordinances so passed and approved prior to April 1st, 1912, that may have been heretofore instituted or that may be now pending.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted and ordained as aforesaid*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

Approved this 1st day of April, 1912.

W. D. CORDDRY, JR., Mayor.

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